## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Mr. Eric Bell Director Department of Medical Assistance Services Suite 1300 600 East Broad Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

## Dear Mr. Bell:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend Virginia's Medicaid home and community-based services waiver that serves persons with mental retardation has been approved. This amendment has been assigned control number 0372.01 which should be used in all fixture references regarding this amendment.

Specifically, this amendment increases the number of waiver participants in years one through three to allow additional slots to be provided to individuals transitioning from waiver number 0227.90 as exiting assisted living facilities become licensed.

Based on the information you provided, I approve the waiver amendment cited above effective October 17, 2001, which is the enactment date of the Virginia State legislation. The following estimates of unduplicated recipients and the average per capita cost of waiver services have been approved.

YEAR	UNDUPLICATED RECIPIENTS	FACTOR D
1	5,536	\$38,558
2	5,536	\$40,786
3	5,536	\$40,782

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We appreciate the cooperation provided by you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Mary Jean Duckett Director Division of Benefits, Coverage and Payment

cc: Philadelphia Regional Office